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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 21, 2004, a corrected clean version of the "Amendments to the Claims" is submitted herewith in order for the amendment mailed on September 3, 2004 to be compliant.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe the amendment is now in compliance with the rules under 37 CFR § 1.121(h).

Respectfully submitted,

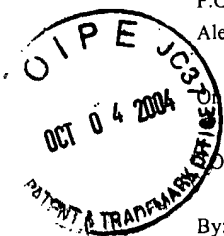
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.